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*Stated Meeting, June 16.*

Present, sixteen members.

Dr. PATTERSON, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were received and read:—

From Dr. Geddings, dated Charleston, S. C., 25th May, 1848, acknowledging the receipt of notice of his election as a member of this Society:—

From the Royal Society of Sciences of Copenhagen, dated Copenhagen, 20th April, 1847, acknowledging the receipt of Vol. IX. Part 2d, of the Transactions; of Vol. II. and III. of the Proceedings; of the Transactions of the Historical and Literary Committee, 1843; and of Dr. Dunglison's Public Discourse on Mr. Du Ponceau; and announcing a donation to the Society:—

From the Regents of the University of the State of New York, acknowledging the receipt of Vol. V. No. 40, of the Proceedings of the Society: and—

From P. A. Browne, Esq., dated Philadelphia, 10th June, 1848, announcing the formation of a Society for the Development of the Mineral Resources of the United States, and asking that they may be put upon the list of the correspondents of this Society.

On motion of Judge Kane, the society just named was placed on the list of correspondents of this Society.

The following donations were announced:—

FOR THE LIBRARY.

A Catalogue of those Stars in the *Histoire Celeste Française* of Jérôme de Lalande, for which tables of reduction to the epoch 1800 have been published by Prof. Schumacher. Reduced at the expense of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, under the immediate superintendence of the late Francis Baily, Esq. Printed at the expense of Her Majesty's Government. London, 1847. 8vo.—*From the British Association for the Advancement of Science.*

A Catalogue of 9766 Stars in the Southern Hemisphere, for the be-

- ginning of the year 1750; from the observations of the Abbé de Lacaille, made at the Cape of Good Hope, in the years 1751 and 1752. Reduced at the expense of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, under the immediate superintendence of the late Professor Henderson, Director of the Royal Observatory, Edinburgh; and printed at the expense of Her Majesty's Government, under the direction of the late Francis Baily, Esq.; with a Preface by Sir J. F. W. Herschell. London, 1847. 8vo.—*From the same.*
- Proceedings of the Royal Astronomical Society. Vol. VIII. No. 4. Feb. 11, 1848. London. 8vo.—*From the Society.*
- Boletín de la Sociedad Economica de Amigos del Pais, de Valencia. Año 9°. Tomo 5°. Enero de 1848. Valencia, 1848. 4to.—*From the Economic Society of Valencia.*
- Abhandlungen der Königlichen Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen. Vol. III. 1845 to 1847. Göttingen, 1847. 8vo.—*From the Royal Society of Sciences of Göttingen.*
- Nachrichten von der Georg Augusts Universität, und der Königlichen Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften zu Göttingen. For the years 1846 and 1847. 2 Vols. 8vo. Göttingen, 1846-7.—*From the same.*
- Bemerkungen über Gyps und Karstenit. Von Joh. Friedr. Ludw. Hausmann. Göttingen, 1847. 4to.—*From Prof. Hausmann.*
- The African Repository and Colonial Journal. Vol. XXIV. No. 6. June, 1848. Washington. 8vo.—*From the American Colonization Society.*
- Medical News and Library. Vol. VI. No. 66. June, 1848.—*From Lea & Blanchard.*
- Journal of the Proceedings of the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled in a General Convention, held in St. Andrew's Church, in the City of Philadelphia, from Oct. 2 to Oct. 23, 1844; with an Appendix, containing the Constitution and Canons, a List of the Clergy, &c. New York, 1844. 8vo.—*From James J. Barclay, Esq.*
- Letters to the People of New Jersey on the Frauds, Extortions and Oppressions of the Rail-road Monopoly. By a Citizen of Burlington. Philadelphia, 1848. 8vo.—*Anonymous.*
- Det Kongelige Danske Videnskabernes Selskabs Naturvidenskabelige og Mathematiske Afhandlinger. Vol. XII. Copenhagen, 1846. 4to.—*From the Royal Society of Copenhagen.*

Oversigt over det Kongelige Danske Videnskabernes Selskabs Forhandling, og dets Medlemmers Arbejder i Aaret 1846. Copenhagen, 1847. 8vo.—*From the same.*

Quæstiones a Societate Regia Danica Scientiarum, anno 1847, cum præmii promisso propositæ.—*From the same.*

An Investigation of the Theories of the Natural History of Man, by Lawrence, Prichard, and others, founded upon Animal Analogies: and an Outline of a New Natural History of Man, founded upon History, Anatomy, Physiology and Human Analogies. By Wm. F. Van Amringe. New York, 1848. 8vo.—*From the Author, through Dr. S. G. Morton.*

Pending nominations, Nos. 224 and 225, were read.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Smith, the use of the Hall of the Society was tendered to the Convention on the subject of Penal Reform, for the purpose of holding their meetings in.

### *Stated Meeting, July 21.*

Present, eleven members.

Dr. FRANKLIN BACHE, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Letters were received and read:—

From the Royal Institute of Sciences, Belles Lettres and Arts of the Low Countries, dated Amsterdam, 15th March, 1848, accompanying a donation to this Society:—

From the Royal Observatory of Edinburgh, dated Edinburgh, 14th December, 1847, acknowledging the receipt of Vol. IV. No. 39, and Vol. V. No. 40, of the Proceedings of this Society:—

From Prof. A. D. Bache, dated Washington, 12th June, 1848, on transmitting sheets of the Coast Survey Maps: and—

From Judge Jones, dated Girard College, July, 1848, acknowledging the receipt of notice of his election as a member of this Society.

The following donations were announced:—

#### FOR THE LIBRARY.

Nieuwe Verhandelingen der Eerste Klasse van het Koninklijk Nederlandsche Instituut van Wetenschappen, Letterkunde en Schoone